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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Gupta et al.

Serial No.: 10/090,446

For: A PROCESS AND AN APPARATUS FOR PREPARATION
OF PETROLEUM HYDROCARBON SOLVENT WITH
IMPROVED COLOR STABILITY FROM NITROGEN RICH
CRUDE OIL

Filed: March 4, 2002

Examiner: T. Nguyen

Art Unit: 1764

Attorney Docket No.: 3030.006USU

Customer No.: 27,623

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	22	Minus	38	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	0	x \$86.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$280.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		

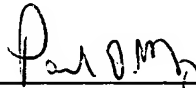
The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

____ A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

XXX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

May 24, 2004

Date

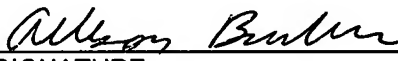


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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 24, 2004, for the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.